Orphan Waste Tire Clean-Up Initiative

NEW FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM FOR COUNTIES AND CITIES

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment's (KDHE) Bureau of Waste Management is pleased to announce a new initiative designed to foster increased collection of abandoned waste tires and help offset the associated costs experienced by local governments to properly dispose of collected tires.*

KDHE will reimburse documented costs to dispose of abandoned waste tires that have been cleaned up by counties or cities from roadways, ditches, or other areas.

- This program does not allow reimbursement for tire "amnesty" programs or any other public drop-off event.
- To receive reimbursement, a county or city must provide written certification that the waste tires were only accumulated from illegally dumped or abandoned tires.
- Tires must be accumulated in a secure central location point owned by the city or county and approved by the Bureau of Waste Management. Necessary steps should be taken to control mosquitos and other disease vectors.
- Reimbursement will be processed on a monthly basis for any tire disposal expenses, when submitted on the one-page KDHE form along with receipts from the disposal company.
- Claimants must use a KDHE Bureau of Waste Management permitted waste tire transporter and disposal or recycling facility to receive reimbursement.
- The first reimbursement forms will be accepted and processed in June 2008.

** This clean-up program is being carried out under the authority granted to KDHE under K.S.A.65-3424g(c)(3). Reimbursement based upon availability of program funding and may be terminated at any time with 60 days notice.*

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